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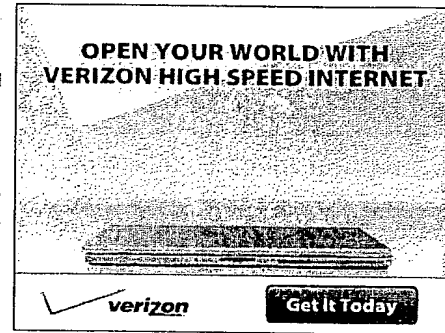
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chan·nel¹ Audio Help [chan-I] Pronunciation Key - Show IPA Pronunciation *noun, verb, -neled, -nel·ing or (especially British) -nelled, -nel·ling.*

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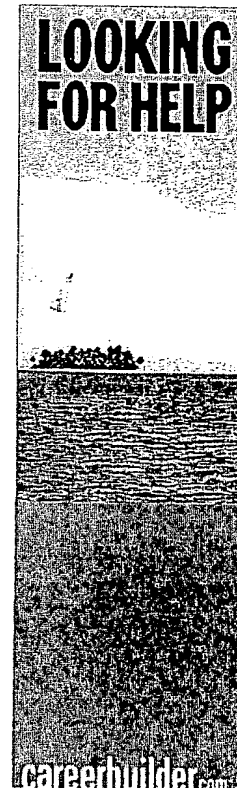
1. the bed of a stream, river, or other waterway.
2. *Nautical.* a navigable route between two bodies of water.
3. the deeper part of a waterway.
4. a wide strait, as between a continent and an island.
5. a course into which something may be directed: *He hoped to direct the conversation to a new channel.*
6. a route through which anything passes or progresses: *channels of trade.*
7. channels, the specific, prescribed, or official course or means of communication: *In an emergency he was able to reach the governor without going through channels.*
8. a groove or furrow.
9. a means of access: *He considers the Senate a channel to the White House.*
10. *Architecture.*
 - a. a flute in a column, esp. one having no fillet between it and other flutes.
 - b. any of the prominent vertical grooves in a triglyph.
11. (in jazz or popular music) a bridge.
12. a frequency band of sufficient width for one- or two-way communication from or to a transmitter used for television, radio, CB radio, telephone, or telegraph communication.
13. *Computers.* a path for the transfer of signals or data within a computer or between a computer and its peripheral equipment.
14. either of the two signals in stereophonic or any single signal in multichannel sound recording and reproduction.
15. *Cell Biology.* a transient opening made by a protein embedded in a cell membrane, permitting passage of specific ions or molecules into or out of the cell: *calcium channel.*
16. a tubular passage for liquids or fluids.
17. *Building Trades.*
 - a. any structural member, as one of reinforced concrete, having the form of three sides of a rectangle.
 - b. a number of such members: *channel in 100-foot lengths.*
 - c. CHANNEL IRON.

-verb (used with object)

18. to convey through or as through a channel: *He channeled the information to us.*
19. to direct toward or into some particular course: *to channel one's interests.*

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20. to excavate as a channel.
21. to form a channel in; groove.
-verb (used without object)
22. to become marked by a channel: *Soft earth has a tendency to channel during a heavy rain.*

[Origin: 1250-1300; ME *chanel* < OF < L *canālis* waterpipe; see CANAL]

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chan·nel·er; especially British, chan·nel·ler, *noun*

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-noun

a horizontal timber or ledge built outboard from the side of a sailing vessel to spread shrouds and backstays outward.


Also, chain wale, chain-wale.

[Origin: 1760-70; var. of CHAIN WALE]

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n.

1. The bed of a stream or river.
2. The deeper part of a river or harbor, especially a deep navigable passage.
3. A broad strait, especially one that connects two seas.
4. A trench, furrow, or groove.
5. A tubular passage for liquids; a conduit.
6. A course or pathway through which information is transmitted: *new channels of thought; a reliable channel of information.*
7. A route of communication or access. Often used in the plural: *took her request through official channels.*
8. In communications theory, a gesture, action, sound, written or spoken word, or visual image used in transmitting information.
9. *Electronics* A specified frequency band for the transmission and reception of electromagnetic signals, as for television signals.
10. *Computer Science* A site on a network, as on IRC, where online conversations are held in real time by a number of computer users.
11. The medium through which a spirit guide purportedly communicates with the physical world.
12. A rolled metal bar with a bracket-shaped section.
13. A temporary opening in a cell membrane that allows ions or molecules to pass into or out of the cell.

tr.v. chan·neled also chan·nelled, chan·nel·ing also chan·nel·ling, chan·nels also chan·nels

1. To make or cut channels in.
2. To form a groove or flute in.
3. To direct or guide along some desired course: *channels her curiosity into research.*
4. To serve as a medium for (a spirit guide).

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n. *Nautical*

A wood or steel ledge projecting from a sailing ship's sides to spread the shrouds and keep them clear of the gunwales.

[Alteration of obsolete chainwale : chain + wale.]

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channel

c.1300, "bed of running water," from O.Fr. *chanel*, from L. *canalis* "groove, channel, waterpipe" (see canal) Given a broader, figurative sense and a verbal meaning 1590s. Meaning "circuit for telegraph communication" (1848) probably led to that of "band of frequency for radio or TV signals" (1928).

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channel

noun

1. a path over which electrical signals can pass; "a channel is typically what you rent from a telephone company"
2. a passage for water (or other fluids) to flow through; "the fields were crossed with irrigation channels"; "gutters carried off the rainwater into a series of channels under the street"
3. a long narrow furrow cut either by a natural process (such as erosion) or by a tool (as e.g. a groove in a phonograph record) [syn: groove]
4. a deep and relatively narrow body of water (as in a river or a harbor or a strait linking two larger bodies) that allows the best passage for vessels; "the ship went aground in the channel"
5. (often plural) a means of communication or access; "it must go through official channels"; "lines of communication were set up between the two firms"
6. a bodily passage or tube lined with epithelial cells and conveying a secretion or other substance; "the tear duct was obstructed"; "the alimentary canal"; "poison is released through a channel in the snake's fangs" [syn: duct]
7. a television station and its programs; "a satellite TV channel"; "surfing through the channels"; "they offer more than one hundred channels"
8. a way of selling a company's product either directly or via distributors; "possible distribution channels are wholesalers or small retailers or retail chains or direct mailers or your own stores" [syn: distribution channel]

verb

1. transmit or serve as the medium for transmission; "Sound carries well over water"; "The airwaves carry the sound"; "Many metals conduct heat" [syn: impart]
2. direct the flow of; "channel information towards a broad audience"
3. send from one person or place to another; "transmit a message" [syn: transmit]

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channel¹ ['tʃænl] *noun*

the bed of a stream or other way through which liquid can flow

Example: a sewage channel

<i>Arabic:</i> مَقْرَءٌ مائِي، قناة	<i>Japanese:</i> 流床
<i>Chinese (Simplified):</i> 沟渠	<i>Korean:</i> 강바닥
<i>Chinese (Traditional):</i> 溝渠	<i>Latvian:</i> kanāls
<i>Czech:</i> stružka, kanál	<i>Lithuanian:</i> kanalas
<i>Danish:</i> rende; kanal	<i>Norwegian:</i> kanal, renne, leie
<i>Dutch:</i> kanaal	<i>Polish:</i> kanał
<i>Estonian:</i> voolusäng, kanal	<i>Portuguese (Brazil):</i> canal
<i>Finnish:</i> kanava	<i>Portuguese (Portugal):</i> canal
<i>French:</i> chenal	<i>Romanian:</i> canal
<i>German:</i> der Kanal, das Flußbett	<i>Russian:</i> сток
<i>Greek:</i> αγωγιός	<i>Slovak:</i> kanál
<i>Hungarian:</i> csatorna	<i>Slovenian:</i> struga
<i>Icelandic:</i> farvegur	<i>Spanish:</i> canal
<i>Indonesian:</i> saluran	<i>Swedish:</i> ränna, kanal
<i>Italian:</i> canale	<i>Turkish:</i> kanal

channel² ['tʃænl] *noun*

a passage of deeper water in a river, through which ships can sail

<i>Arabic:</i> قناة	<i>Japanese:</i> 水路
<i>Chinese (Simplified):</i> 水道	<i>Korean:</i> 수로, 항로
<i>Chinese (Traditional):</i> 水道	<i>Latvian:</i> kanāls; ūdensceļš
<i>Czech:</i> kanál	<i>Lithuanian:</i> kanalas
<i>Danish:</i> sejlrende	<i>Norwegian:</i> skipslei
<i>Dutch:</i> vaargeul	<i>Polish:</i> tor
<i>Estonian:</i> sõiduvesi	<i>Portuguese (Brazil):</i> canal
<i>Finnish:</i> kanava	<i>Portuguese (Portugal):</i> canal
<i>French:</i> canal	<i>Romanian:</i> canal
<i>German:</i> die Fahrwinne	<i>Russian:</i> фарватер
<i>Greek:</i> πέρασμα, κανάλι	<i>Slovak:</i> kanál
<i>Hungarian:</i> csatorna	<i>Slovenian:</i> kanal
<i>Icelandic:</i> skipaskurður	<i>Spanish:</i> canal
<i>Indonesian:</i> kanal	<i>Swedish:</i> segelränna
<i>Italian:</i> canale	<i>Turkish:</i> kanal

channel³ ['tʃænl] *noun*

a narrow stretch of water joining two seas

Example: *the English Channel*

<i>Arabic:</i> قنال	<i>Japanese:</i> 海峡
<i>Chinese (Simplified):</i> 海峡	<i>Korean:</i> 해협
<i>Chinese (Traditional):</i> 海峡	<i>Latvian:</i> Lamanšs
<i>Czech:</i> průliv	<i>Lithuanian:</i> sąsiauris
<i>Danish:</i> kanal	<i>Norwegian:</i> kanal, strede, sund
<i>Dutch:</i> kanaal	<i>Polish:</i> kanał
<i>Estonian:</i> kanal	<i>Portuguese (Brazil):</i> canal
<i>Finnish:</i> kanaali	<i>Portuguese (Portugal):</i> canal
<i>French:</i> détroit	<i>Romanian:</i> strâmtoare, canal
<i>German:</i> der Kanal	<i>Russian:</i> пролив
<i>Greek:</i> προθμός	<i>Slovak:</i> prieliv
<i>Hungarian:</i> csatorna	<i>Slovenian:</i> ožina
<i>Icelandic:</i> sund	<i>Spanish:</i> canal
<i>Indonesian:</i> terusan	<i>Swedish:</i> kanal, sund, gatt
<i>Italian:</i> canale	<i>Turkish:</i> kanal, dar boğaz

channel⁴ ['tʃænl] *noun*

a means of sending or receiving information etc

Example: *We got the information through the usual channels.*

<i>Arabic:</i> قناة (معلومات)	<i>Japanese:</i> 経路
<i>Chinese (Simplified):</i> 途径	<i>Korean:</i> 통신로
<i>Chinese (Traditional):</i> 途徑	<i>Latvian:</i> (informācijas) avots
<i>Czech:</i> cesta	<i>Lithuanian:</i> kanalas
<i>Danish:</i> kanal	

<i>Dutch</i> : kanaal	<i>Norwegian</i> : kanal, bane
<i>Estonian</i> : kanal	<i>Polish</i> : kanał
<i>Finnish</i> : kanava	<i>Portuguese (Brazil)</i> : canal
<i>French</i> : filière	<i>Portuguese (Portugal)</i> : meio
<i>German</i> : der Weg	<i>Romanian</i> : filieră
<i>Greek</i> : κανάλι επικοινωνίας	<i>Russian</i> : источник; канал
<i>Hungarian</i> : út	<i>Slovak</i> : cesta
<i>Icelandic</i> : (fjarskipta)rás	<i>Slovenian</i> : pot, kanal
<i>Indonesian</i> : saluran	<i>Spanish</i> : canal, medio
<i>Italian</i> : canale	<i>Swedish</i> : kanal
	<i>Turkish</i> : yol, kanal

channel⁵ ['tʃænl] *noun*

(in television, radio etc) a band of frequencies for sending or receiving signals

Example: *BBC Television now has two channels.*

<i>Arabic</i> : قناة تلفزيونية	<i>Japanese</i> : チャンネル
<i>Chinese (Simplified)</i> : 频道	<i>Korean</i> : 채널, 주파수대
<i>Chinese (Traditional)</i> : 頻道	<i>Latvian</i> : (radio, televīzijas) kanāls
<i>Czech</i> : kanál	<i>Lithuanian</i> : kanalas
<i>Danish</i> : kanal; frekvens	<i>Norwegian</i> : kanal
<i>Dutch</i> : net	<i>Polish</i> : kanał
<i>Estonian</i> : kanal	<i>Portuguese (Brazil)</i> : canal
<i>Finnish</i> : kanava	<i>Portuguese (Portugal)</i> : canal
<i>French</i> : chaîne	<i>Romanian</i> : canal
<i>German</i> : der Kanal	<i>Russian</i> : канал
<i>Greek</i> : κανάλι συχνότητων	<i>Slovak</i> : kanál
<i>Hungarian</i> : csatorna	<i>Slovenian</i> : kanal
<i>Icelandic</i> : rás	<i>Spanish</i> : canal
<i>Indonesian</i> : saluran	<i>Swedish</i> : kanal
<i>Italian</i> : canale	<i>Turkish</i> : kanal

channel¹ ['tʃænl] *verb*

to make a channel in

<i>Arabic</i> : يَحْفَرُ، يَنْقُحُ	<i>Japanese</i> : 水路を作る
<i>Chinese (Simplified)</i> : 开辟水道	<i>Korean</i> : 수로를 내다
<i>Chinese (Traditional)</i> : 開辟水道	<i>Latvian</i> : izveidot kanālu
<i>Czech</i> : vykopat kanál	<i>Lithuanian</i> : iškasti kanalą
<i>Danish</i> : lave en kanal; grave en kanal	<i>Norwegian</i> : lage, *grave ut en kanal
<i>Dutch</i> : kanalisieren	<i>Polish</i> : tworzyć kanał w
<i>Estonian</i> : kanalit rajama	<i>Portuguese (Brazil)</i> : abrir um canal
<i>Finnish</i> : kanavoida	<i>Portuguese (Portugal)</i> : sulcar
<i>French</i> : creuser un canal dans	<i>Romanian</i> : a-și face drum prin
<i>German</i> : aushöhlen	<i>Russian</i> : проводить канал
<i>Greek</i> : ανοίγω πέρασμα	<i>Slovak</i> : vykopat' kanál
<i>Hungarian</i> : csatornáz	<i>Slovenian</i> : izkopati (kanal)
<i>Icelandic</i> : gera skurð, *sund, *farveg í	<i>Spanish</i> : canalizar
<i>Indonesian</i> : membuat saluran	<i>Swedish</i> : göra kanal i, gräva ut
<i>Italian</i> : scavare canali*	<i>Turkish</i> : kanal açmak

channel² ['tʃænl] *verb*

to direct into a particular course


Example: *He channelled all his energies into the project.*

<i>Arabic</i> : يُوَجِّهُ في طريق مُبْتَدَأ	<i>Japanese</i> : (～に) 向ける
<i>Chinese (Simplified)</i> : 引导	<i>Korean</i> : 이끌다, 보내다
<i>Chinese (Traditional)</i> : 引導	<i>Latvian</i> : novirzīt
<i>Czech</i> : zaměřit se na	<i>Lithuanian</i> : nukreipti
<i>Danish</i> : kanalisere	<i>Norwegian</i> : kanalisere
<i>Dutch</i> : concentreren	<i>Polish</i> : kierować
<i>Estonian</i> : suunama	<i>Portuguese (Brazil)</i> : canalizar

<i>Finnish:</i> kanavoids	<i>Portuguese (Portugal):</i> canalizar
<i>French:</i> canaliser	<i>Romanian:</i> a canaliza
<i>German:</i> lenken	<i>Russian:</i> направлять (в определённое русло)
<i>Greek:</i> δλοχευω	<i>Slovak:</i> zamerat
<i>Hungarian:</i> terel	<i>Slovenian:</i> usmeriti
<i>Icelandic:</i> veita, beina	<i>Spanish:</i> canalizar, dirigir
<i>Indonesian:</i> menyalurkan	<i>Swedish:</i> kanalisera, leda
<i>Italian:</i> convogliare	<i>Turkish:</i> yöneltmek

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1. A specified frequency band for the transmission and reception of electromagnetic signals, as for television signals.
2. The part of a field effect transistor, usually U-shaped, through which current flows from the source to the drain. See more at [field effect transistor](#).
3. A pathway through a protein molecule in a cell membrane that modulates the electrical potential across the membrane by controlling the passage of small inorganic ions into and out of the cell.
4. The bed or deepest part of a river or harbor.
5. A large strait, especially one that connects two seas.

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Function: *noun*

1 : a usually tubular enclosed passage

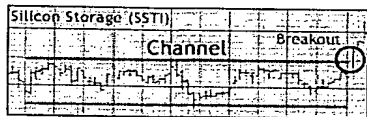
2 a : a passage created in a selectively permeable membrane by a conformational change in membrane proteins b : a protein or cluster of proteins that functions as a channel —see CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKER

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Channel

1. The system of intermediaries between the producers, suppliers, consumers, etcetera, for the movement of a good or service.
2. The technical range between support and resistance levels that a stock price has traded in for a specific period of time.



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- 1) There are different types and flavors of channels. Examples are sale channels, distribution channels, Internet channels, and so forth.
- 2) A breakout of a technical channel is seen as a bullish (on an upward breakout) or bearish signal (on a downward breakout).

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channel

In charting, a line connecting a series of high points accompanied by a parallel line connecting a series of low points. The two parallel lines compose the channel in which the variable (for example, a stock price) has been moving and is expected to continue moving. An ascending channel indicates a bullish trend, while a descending channel represents a bearish trend. Breaking downward through an ascending series of low prices or upward through a descending series of high prices indicates a likely change in trend.

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channel chat

(Or "chat room", "room", depending on the system in question) The basic unit of group discussion in chat systems like IRC. Once one joins a channel, everything one types is read by others on that channel. Channels can either be named with numbers or with strings that begin with a "#" sign and can have topic descriptions (which are generally irrelevant to the actual subject of discussion). Some notable channels are "#initgame", "#hottub" and "#report". At times of international crisis, "#report" has hundreds of members, some of whom take turns listening to various news services and typing in summaries of the news, or in some cases, giving first-hand accounts of the action (e.g. Scud missile attacks in Tel Aviv during the Gulf War in 1991). [The Jargon File] (1998-01-25)

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Channel Lake, IL (CDP, FIPS 12489) Location: 42.48430 N, 88.15029 W
Population (1990): 1660 (800 housing units)
Area: 5.0 sq km (land), 0.9 sq km (water)

Channel Islands Beach, CA (CDP, FIPS 12669) Location: 34.15805 N, 119.22210 W
Population (1990): 3317 (1738 housing units)
Area: 1.1 sq km (land), 0.0 sq km (water)

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Ca*nał", n. [F. canal, from L. canalis canal, channel; prob. from a root signifying "to cut"; cf. D. kanaal, fr. the French. Cf. Channel, Kenne] gutter.]

1. An artificial channel filled with water and designed for navigation, or for irrigating land, etc.
2. (Anat.) A tube or duct; as, the alimentary canal; the semicircular canals of the ear.

Canal boat, a boat for use on a canal; esp. one of peculiar shape, carrying freight, and drawn by horses walking on the towpath beside the canal.

Canal lock. See Lock.

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Channel

Chan"nel\, n. [OE. chanel, canel, OF. chanel, F. chenal, fr. L. canalis. See Canal.]

1. The hollow bed where a stream of water runs or may run.
2. The deeper part of a river, harbor, strait, etc., where the main current flows, or which affords the best and safest passage for vessels.
3. (Geog.) A strait, or narrow sea, between two portions of lands; as, the British Channel.
4. That through which anything passes; means of passing, conveying, or transmitting; as, the news was conveyed to us by different channels.

The veins are converging channels. --Dalton.

At best, he is but a channel to convey to the National assembly such matter as may import that body to know. --Burke.

5. A gutter; a groove, as in a fluted column.

6. pl. [Cf. Chain wales.] (Naut.) Flat ledges of heavy plank bolted edgewise to the outside of a vessel, to increase the spread of the shrouds and carry them clear of the bulwarks.

Channel bar, Channel iron (Arch.), an iron bar or beam having a section resembling a flat gutter or channel.

Channel bill (Zo["o]l.), a very large Australian cuckoo (Scythrops Nov[ae]hollandi[ae]).

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Chan"nel\, v. t. (imp. & p. p. Channeled, or Channelled; p. pr. & vb. n. Channeling, or Channelling.)

1. To form a channel in; to cut or wear a channel or channels in; to groove.

No more shall trenching war channel her fields. --Shak.

2. To course through or over, as in a channel. --Cowper.

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Ken"nel\, n. [See Channel, Canal.] The water course of a street; a little canal or channel; a gutter; also, a puddle. --Bp. Hall.

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Channel

(1.) The bed of the sea or of a river (Ps. 18:15; Isa. 8:7).

(2.) The "chanelbone" (Job 31:22 marg.), properly "tube" or "shaft," an old term for the collar-bone.

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